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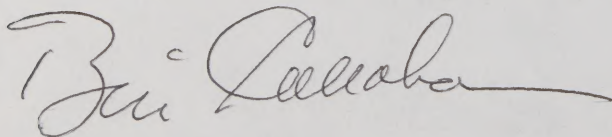
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Hi, we are friend of Reiner and Gudrun Rix, whose son Norbert is married to our niece, Gretchen. Reiner contacted me to ask that I hand carry a copy of a book you have just published, as we will be visiting him in Neuhausen near the end of September, and he feels this would circumvent an apparently complex and expensive process to ship the book from the U.S. to Switzerland.

I'll be happy to do so, and I am enclosing a check for \$40, which Reiner said would cover the cost for you to send a copy to me. He will then reimburse me on our arrival in Switzerland (of course, I most likely will simply present it to him as one token of appreciation for his hospitality in inviting us to stay with him and Gudrun during our visit. We were last there in 1999 and greatly enjoyed Schaffhausen and all of Switzerland.

If you have any question about this, please call me at 408-735-9917. Incidentally, I have a daughter who also lives in Saint Louis. We were there for about a week last fall and hope to come for another visit soon.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bill Callahan", followed by a long horizontal flourish.